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Applicant: Jie Tang et al.
Patent No. 5,891,212
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MAKING
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Examiner: George P. Wyszomierski
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Sir:

Applicants respond herein to the Examiner's telephone call of May 5, 2004 as follows.

Pursuant to the Examiner's Request, transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced reissue application are copies of Applicants' response to the *Ex Parte Quayle* Office Action mailed September 12, 2003. The response was originally submitted to the U.S. Patent Office on October 14, 2003. The response included a transmittal letter; the original U.S. Patent 5,891,212 and certificate of correction; a substitute specification, including three (3) pages of drawings; and a return postcard. Enclosed herewith are copies of the Express Mail Label receipt showing timely mailing of the response on October 14, 2003 and the postcard date-stamped by the U.S. Patent Office as having been received on October 14, 2003.

Applicants respectfully request that the previously submitted response and accompanying papers be entered into the record as timely filed.

No additional fees are believed due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Refencing Attorney Docket No. 17564-145.

Respectfully submitted,



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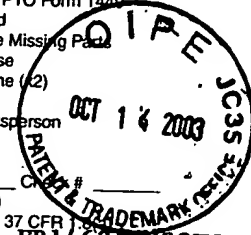
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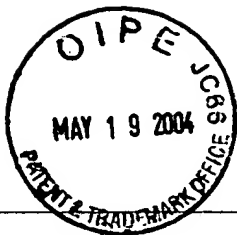
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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following documents:

1. Letter to Examiner;
2. Copy of Response to *Ex Parte Quayle* Office Action Mailed September 12, 2003;
3. Copy of U.S. Patent 5,891,212 and Certificate of Correction;
4. Copy of Substitute Specification, including three (3) pages drawings; and
5. Return Post Card.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any requisite fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Referencing Attorney Docket No. 17564-145. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

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